

Divine Mercy Sunday

We celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter today, but we also celebrate Divine Mercy. This is relatively new on our Church calendar, as it was proclaimed by St. Pope John Paul II on April 22, 2001. The Pope announced it at the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska who included in her writings her devotion to Divine Mercy, saying “Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.”

The week after we celebrate Easter is the perfect time for us to celebrate the Lord’s Mercy. Mercy is the emphasis of the readings on this Holy day.

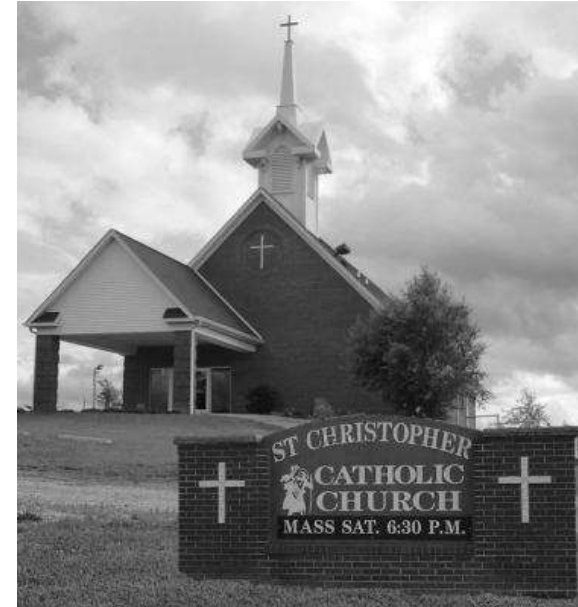
Our dearly beloved, Pope Saint John Paul II, wrote his last and final statement from his deathbed that he prepared to be read on Divine Mercy Sunday, which came to be read the day after his passing. In it he expressed to the world the great importance and the urgency to understand and accept Our Lord’s incredible gift of Divine Mercy. He said to all the people of the world:

“As a gift to humanity, which sometimes seems bewildered and overwhelmed by the power of evil, selfishness, and fear, the Risen Lord offers His love that pardons, reconciles, and reopens hearts to love. It is love that converts hearts and gives peace. How much the world needs to understand and accept Divine Mercy! Lord, who reveals the Father’s love by Your Death and Resurrection, we believe in You and confidently repeat to You... Jesus, I trust in You, have mercy upon us and upon the whole world. Amen.”

These words of our Holy Father have motivated us all the more to set out and to be his “Apostles of Divine Mercy”. We might want to seek his guidance and that of St. Faustina in motivating us as we aim to “be not afraid” and to ask the Lord Jesus to pour out His unfathomable Divine Mercy on us and on the whole world.

Saint Christopher Catholic Church

***160 Holt Spur Drive
Jamestown, Tennessee 38556
Reverend Father Michael Sweeney, Pastor***



***April 7, 2018
Divine Mercy Sunday***

Masses: Saturday Vigil: 6:30 P.M. (CST)

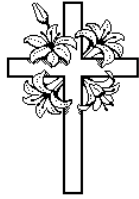
Holy Days (Vigil): 6:00 P.M. (CST)

Confessions: After Mass (1st Saturday of month or as needed)

Spanish Communion Service: Sundays 8:00 A.M.(CST)

Father Michael Sweeney: Rectory 865-882-9838

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**Liturgical Ministers for Next Week
April 14, 2018**

Readers: W. Allen / R. Germann / S. Mahon
Altar Servers: A. Cruz / J. Rindler
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Savastano / J. Vaughn

April Sacristan:M. Cottrell / D. Romer
Hospitality: Linda Savastano
KoC Round Table Coordinator: George Savastano
Mass Intentions:Sarah Mahon
Webmaster:Stormy Allen
Web-Page: www.saintchristopherjamestown.com
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Bulletin: Mary Germann

INTENTIONS



Together, let us pray for the needs of our brothers and sisters. Remember the sick, home-bound, caregivers and recovering of our parish and all those on the St. Christopher prayer list (available to view in the narthex) in your daily prayers: Juan Herrera; Zachary Chamness, grandson of George & Linda Savastano; Cissy and Vickie, daughters of Joyce Vaughn; Pete Yahner, brother of Sarah Mahon; Don Briggs; Mary Henise; Joyce Mulligan; Bruce Bigard, brother of Allen Bigard; Mollie Ann Wenzel, daughter of a friend of Allen Bigard; Teddie Stevenson; Leo Duchon; Mike Emmons; Terry McDonald; Mike Baldalament and for those of us who suffer in silence. Also, pray for our military personnel, especially those serving in harm's way. For these and all other unspoken needs; we pray to the Lord.

ATTENDANCE & DONATIONS

March 31, 2018

Parish: \$ 3,690
Building Fund: \$ 2,025
Education of Knoxville Diocesan Seminarians: \$ 433
Sat. Night Service / Bilingual Service: 76 / 16

MASS INTENTIONS

April 7, 2018

Attorney **Bill Craven** and **Emily Craven**;
Requested by daughter **Denise Romer** and
son-in-law **Jim Romer**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Tuesday, April 10th, there will be a **Knights of Columbus Council meeting** in St. Christopher Church Hall. The Rosary will be said at 5:30 pm, and the meeting will start at 6:00 pm. We hope all Knights will be able to attend!

The **next Ladies' Guild meeting** will be this Thursday, April 12th, at 11:00 am in the Church Hall. We hope all ladies of the parish will be able to join us!

The schedule for **readers** and the **Eucharistic** ministers is in the narthex.

Liturgical Ministers for Future Week(s)

April 21st Readers: B. Rindler / M. Criswell / P. Dalton
Altar Servers: F. Schuch / A. Stucker
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Mahon / S. Mahon
April 28th Readers: R. Germann / W. Allen / S. Mahon
Altar Servers: A. Fackler / T. McDonald
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Savastano / D. Hailey